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December 17, 2013

Date Complaint Received:	9/12/2013
Complaint Received By:	DHS
Provider Name and Location:	Kandi Jameson-Altman & Sadie Patton

Complaint: Complaint that Kandi was over in numbers, forging a previous employee's name on documents, using unsanitary practices in the childcare home, that Kandi has a health condition that could be contagious, and that Kandi is withholding food as a form of punishment.

Rule Basis: 110.4 No more children are in care than the rules for the specific category will allow. 110.5(1) Conditions in the home are safe, sanitary, and free of hazards. 110.5(6)c No punishment or threat of punishment is associated with food or rest.

Findings: Kandi stated that she has a previous employee that is being vindictive towards her. There was nothing in the home to indicate that the numerous safety hazards that were alleged were present. The children were happy and Kandi denies ever withholding food as a punishment. The environment was clean and sanitary. Kandi and Sadie were over in numbers by two children. They were notified that a need to reduce the number of children in care in necessary. A spot check was completed and there were a few items out of compliance which were addressed in a compliance letter dated December 17th, 2013.

Resolution: A compliance letter was sent on December 17th asking Kandi and Sadie to come into compliance with the number of children in care immediately and giving 45 days to correct the deficiencies found on October 8th. Kandi did already send in documentation of her drills on October 18th. She also stated that someone came to the home and put sugar in her gas tanks. I encouraged Kandi to seek assistance from the police department and to consider putting in a video monitoring system.

If you have any questions regarding this matter feel free to contact me at 319-292-2419 or email address ahuntin@dhs.state.ia.us

Sincerely,

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Social Worker